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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO POLAND: PUBLIC
STATEMENTS-COMMUNIQUE

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1. AT JAROSZEWICZ'S 31ST ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION LAST NIGHT, VICE FOREIGN MINISTER SPASOWSKI SAID TO ME THAT HE WOULD BE READY EARLY NEXT WEEK--PERHAPS AS EARLY AS MONDAY--TO PRESENT TO US DRAFTS OF THE DOCUMENTS THAT MIGHT BE AGREED TO DURING THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT. IT SEEMED TO HIM, HE SAID, THAT THERE SHOULD BE A COMMUNIQUE FOR THE PRESS, DETAILING THE FACTS CONCERNING THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT, AND THEN A JOINT STATEMENT, WHICH WOULD BE SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE FIRST SECRETARY. ALTHOUGH PRESIDENT NIXON AND THE FIRST SECRETARY HAD SIGNED THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE DURING THE 1972 PRESIDENTIAL VISIT, SPASOWSKI SAID, IT SEEMED TO HIM THAT IT WAS SOMEHOW INAPPROPRIATE FOR THE PRINCIPALS TO SIGN SUCH A DOCUMENT. CONSEQUENTLY, HE THOUGHT THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER TO HAVE A JOINT STATEMENT, WHICH COULD BE SIGNED, TOGETHER WITH A COMMUNIQUE FOR THE RECORD CONTAINING HOUSEKEEPING DETAILS, WHICH WOULD NOT BE SIGNED. THIS WAS THE WAY IT HAD BEEN HANDLED DURING GIDCARD D'ESTAING'S VISIT AND IT SEEMED TO HAVE WORKED OUT WELL.

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2. I SAID I COULD NOT SEE WHAT WE COULD PUT INTO

ANOTHER JOINT US-POLISH STATEMENT. THE "JOINT STATEMENT ON PRINCIPLES OF US-POLISH RELATIONS," SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE FIRST SECRETARY LAST OCTOBER, CONTAINED MUCH THE SAME MATTER AS THE "CHARTER OF PRINCIPLES OF FRIENDLY COOPERATION" SIGNED BY GISCARD AND GIEREK LAST MONTH. IN ANY CASE, I SAID, I WOULD SEEK INSTRUCTIONS AND LET HIM KNOW AS SOON AS I RECEIVED THEM.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: I WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE DEPARTMENTS DRAFT OF THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE, TOGETHER WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW MANY AND WHAT KINDS OF DOCUMENTS WE WANT TO ISSUE AT THE END OF THE PRESIDENTS VISIT.

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